

United States Court of Appeals

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 03-5288**September Term, 2003**

96cv01285

Filed On:

In re: Gale A. Norton, Secretary of the Interior in her
official capacity
Petitioner

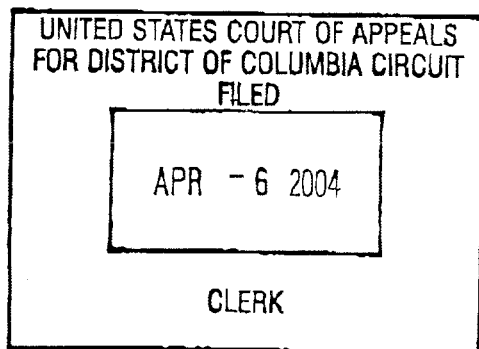
BEFORE: Ginsburg, Chief Judge, and Henderson and Randolph, Circuit
Judges

ORDER

Upon consideration of Special Master Alan Balaran's letter advising the court that he submitted his resignation to the district court effective April 5, 2004, and petitioner's letter of April 6, 2004 pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 28(j), it is

ORDERED that, within ten (10) days from the date of this order, petitioner show cause why the petition for writ of mandamus should not be dismissed as moot. Respondents may file a reply within seven (7) days after the response is filed. The response to the order to show cause and the reply may not exceed twenty (20) pages each. Petitioner's failure to comply with this order will result in dismissal of the petition for lack of prosecution. See D.C. Cir. Rule 38. It is

FURTHER ORDERED that this case is hereby removed from the April 8, 2004 oral argument calendar.

Per Curiam**FOR THE COURT:**

Mark J. Langer, Clerk

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